TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 3478 – HB 3719

March 1, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014576): Codifies the provisions of the bill within Tenn. Code Ann. § 71-5-107 instead of Tenn. Code Ann. § 71-5-106.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$23,349,000

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Changing the section of Tennessee Code Annotated in which the provisions of the bill will be enacted will not change the estimated fiscal impact of the proposed legislation.
- According to the Bureau of TennCare, approximately six percent, or 86, of the 1,425 quadriplegics enrolled would receive services.
- According to the Bureau of TennCare, the annual expense for private duty nursing is \$324,000. The current maximum benefit is \$52,500 resulting in an increase in expenditures per enrollee of \$271,500. The estimated increase in expenditures for 86 enrollees to receive private duty nursing is \$23,349,000 (\$271,500 x 86).
- According to the Bureau of TennCare, it is very unlikely for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to approve this coverage and the entire cost will be state funded.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jam W. White

James W. White, Executive Director

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